

25 February 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Project [REDACTED] (A Sub-project of AQUATONE) 25X1A2g

1. Attached you will find two copies of the definitive Contract No. SP-1913 for 20 aircraft from the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation. The technical characteristics of these aircraft are described in the attached brochure with the performance characteristics outlined in detail on page 19.

2. No major changes have been made in the specifications, delivery schedule or price of the aircraft covered by this contract since approval of the Letter of Intent under which work at Lockheed is now going forward. The various minor modifications in specifications that have been made since the earlier contract have been studied in detail by the Air Force representative for the project. He has also read the attached contract and believes that it requires no further examination in the Air Force.

3. Under these circumstances, this contract does not involve a new or significantly modified commitment but merely the full elaboration in definitive form of the original Letter of Intent. Accordingly, the Letter of Endorsement addressed to you by [REDACTED], Special Assistant for 25X1A9a Research and Development, dated 27 December 1954 may be taken to apply to this contract in the same terms as to the Letter of Intent, and no new supporting documents from the Air Force are required.

4. I recommend approval of this contract as anticipated in the Letter of Intent.

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